

# Lone Pine Trail #862



A view of Tater Heap from the trail  
Photo by Dave Bradford Paonia R.D.

The Lone Pine Trail #862 involves a fairly arduous climb, but offers solitude, abundant deer, good fishing for pan size trout and excellent views near its terminus. The first mile is the most confusing through dense aspen stands. The tread way is good but not well marked. Beyond that the route is generally open and parallels a creek for 2 miles. Three creek crossings provide for numerous camping sites. Excellent views are afforded as the trail contours a ridge and crosses several ravines. Near the top the trail reenters a spruce-fir forest. The entire route is in the West Elk Wilderness.

Don't forget your camera!



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Be prepared for inclement weather at all times.

Familiarize yourself with the area.



Please don't litter!

### Trail Ethics:

The Lone Pine Trail is maintained for foot and horse travel. Please don't cut across switchbacks or create new trails.



### Motors & Machines:

Motorized vehicles and bicycles are not allowed on the Lone Pine Trail or in Wilderness areas.



### Stream Safety:

**DO NOT** drink water directly from a river or stream. Water needs to be treated first by either filtering, boiling for at least 10 minutes or treating with iodine tablets.



### Multiple use:

As you use this area you may notice that the Forest is managed for a broad range of uses. Recreation use alone includes hiking, horseback riding, hunting, and sightseeing. In addition, the vegetation in the Forest requires some form of management. Livestock grazing is a form of land management you may encounter while using this area. The livestock grazing on this area is managed in a very progressive and specific manner. The fences and gates that you may see are critical to managing the livestock and meeting the resource objectives that are planned for this area. Please close all gates that you open as you travel through the area. Controlling the livestock in the manner that we have planned is important.



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Length 4.5 Miles



Mt. Guero from the Lone Pine Trail  
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**Trail Beginning:** The junction with the Through Line Trail #860.

**Trail Ending:** The junction with the Curecanti Trail #870.

**Access #1:** Via the Through Line Trail #860 which starts at the Through Line Trailhead near the end of Forest Road #814 Virginia Creek Road.

**Access #2:** Via the Curecanti Trail #870.

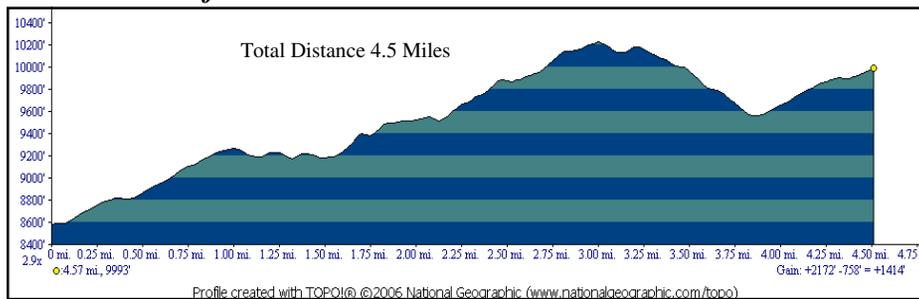
**Use:** Foot and Horse

**Recommended Seasons:**

Spring Summer Fall Winter

**USGS quad maps:** Mount Guero

### Elevation Profile:



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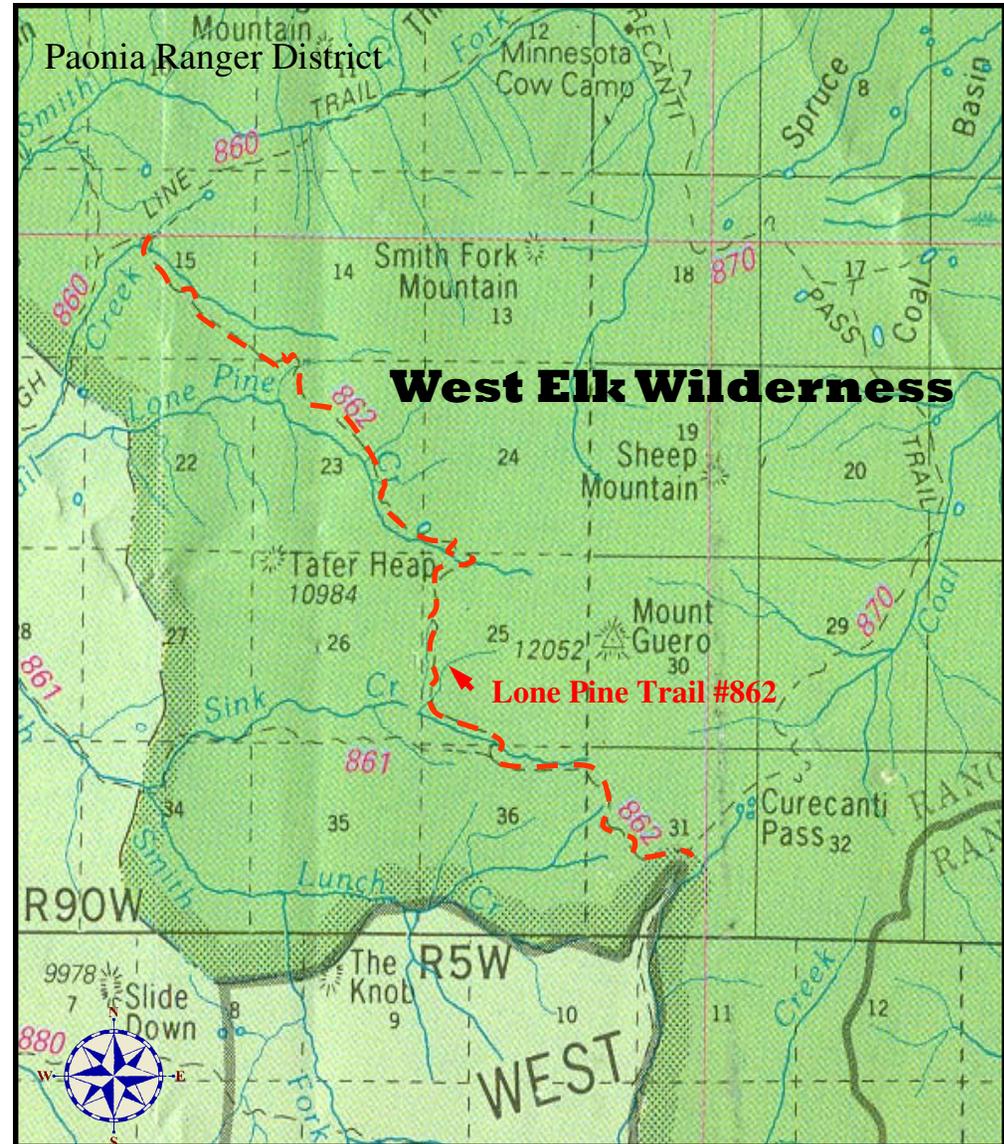
### Dispersed Camping

Dispersed camping is permitted in most areas of the Forest. Recreation maps are available at all local Forest Service offices and personnel can answer questions on specific sites. Camping in undeveloped areas requires more from the camper to help keep the site in the condition in which it was found. If you Pack it in-Pack it out!



### Fire Safety:

Check in with your local Forest Service office to see if fire bans are in effect.



**Principles of Leave No Trace:**

1. Plan Ahead & Prepare
2. Travel & Camp on Durable Surfaces
3. Dispose of Waste Properly
4. Leave What You Find
5. Minimize Campfire Impacts
6. Respect Wildlife
7. Be Considerate of Other Visitors